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Allocation of agenda items to the First Committee

Note by the Secretariat

1. At the 2nd plenary meeting of its seventy-second session, held on 15 September 2017, the General Assembly took decisions pertaining to the allocation of agenda items (see A/72/252), including to the First Committee (see annex).

2. The Committee's attention is drawn to the relevant parts of sections III and IV of the report of the General Committee (A/72/250 and Corr.1) concerning the agenda of the Main Committees and to the recommendations on the organization of the session contained in section II of the same report. Those recommendations were also approved by the General Assembly at its 2nd plenary meeting.

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Annex

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1. Election of the officers of the Main Committees [item 5].

B. Maintenance of international peace and security

2. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [item 52]:
   (b) Joint panel discussion of the First and Fourth Committees on possible challenges to space security and sustainability.

G. Disarmament

3. Reduction of military budgets [item 90]:
   (a) Reduction of military budgets;
   (b) Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures.
4. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace [item 91].
5. African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty [item 92].
6. Prohibition of the development and manufacture of new types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons: report of the Conference on Disarmament [item 93].
7. Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security [item 94].
8. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East [item 95].
9. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons [item 96].
10. Prevention of an arms race in outer space [item 97]:
    (a) Prevention of an arms race in outer space;
    (b) No first placement of weapons in outer space.
11. Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament [item 98].
12. General and complete disarmament [item 99]:[1]

[1] At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 15 September 2017, the General Assembly decided to approve the recommendation contained in paragraph 106 (b) of the first report of the General Committee (A/72/250 and Corr.1), which reads:
(b) Item 99 (General and complete disarmament). The General Committee took note of the fact that some portions of the annual report of the International Atomic Energy Agency, which is to be considered directly in plenary meeting under item 89, dealt with the subject matter of item 99. The General Committee therefore decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the relevant paragraphs of the report be brought to the attention of the First Committee in connection with its consideration of item 99;

(a) Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices;

(b) Nuclear disarmament;

(c) Notification of nuclear tests;

(d) Relationship between disarmament and development;

(e) Prohibition of the dumping of radioactive wastes;

(f) Regional disarmament;

(g) Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels;

(h) Convening of the fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament;

(i) Nuclear-weapon-free southern hemisphere and adjacent areas;

(j) Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control;

(k) Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the legality of the threat or use of nuclear weapons;

(l) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction;

(m) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction;

(n) Assistance to States for curbing the illicit traffic in small arms and light weapons and collecting them;

(o) Reducing nuclear danger;

(p) The illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects;

(q) Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: accelerating the implementation of nuclear disarmament commitments;

(r) Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation;

(s) Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction;

(t) Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context;

(u) Problems arising from the accumulation of conventional ammunition stockpiles in surplus;

(v) Transparency and confidence-building measures in outer space activities;

(w) Follow-up to nuclear disarmament obligations agreed to at the 1995, 2000 and 2010 Review Conferences of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons;

(x) The Arms Trade Treaty;

(y) Treaty on the South-East Asia Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone (Bangkok Treaty);

(z) United action with renewed determination towards the total elimination of nuclear weapons;

(aa) Compliance with non-proliferation, arms limitation and disarmament agreements and commitments;

(bb) Taking forward multilateral nuclear disarmament negotiations;

(cc) Follow-up to the 2013 high-level meeting of the General Assembly on nuclear disarmament;

(dd) Countering the threat posed by improvised explosive devices;

(ee) Humanitarian consequences of nuclear weapons;

(ff) Humanitarian pledge for the prohibition and elimination of nuclear weapons;

(gg) Ethical imperatives for a nuclear-weapon-free world;

(hh) Implementation of the Convention on Cluster Munitions;

(ii) Nuclear disarmament verification.

13. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly [item 100]:

(a) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons;

(b) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa;

(c) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean;

(d) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific;

(e) Regional confidence-building measures: activities of the United Nations Standing Advisory Committee on Security Questions in Central Africa;

(f) United Nations regional centres for peace and disarmament.

14. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session [item 101]:

(a) Report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(b) Report of the Disarmament Commission.

15. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East [item 102].

16. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects [item 103].

17. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region [item 104].

18. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty [item 105].

19. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction [item 106].

I. Organizational, administrative and other matters

20. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [item 121].

21. Programme planning [item 137].